

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Christopher D. Kelliher's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Kelliher devoted more than 20 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a machine gunner with the United States Marines; as well as Army National Guard service in the Netherlands, Dominican Republic, state activations in support of Operation Snow Blow and North Central US Floods and deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Killiher continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Staff Sergeant Christopher D. Killiher for more than 20 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

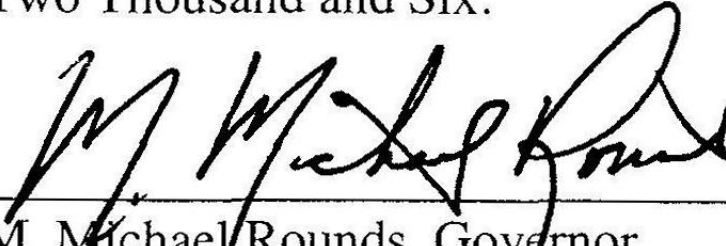
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 24, 2006, as

STAFF SERGEANT CHRISTOPHER D. KELLIHER DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeenth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State